



***NEW HYMNALS, GRANT PROPOSAL SUBMITTED,
PROJECTS BEGINNING AND ENDING, COMING SOON!***

NEW HYMNALS: Several months ago I met with **Melissa Swift, Karen McDonough** and **Doreen Franceschini** (**John Prucnal** was excused) to meet regarding the selection of new hymnals to serve the needs of our proposed merged parish. After reviewing sample copies of hymnals from various liturgical companies, the unanimous recommendation was to purchase the Breaking Bread Hymnal published by Oregon Catholic Press replacing the outdated Glory & Praise Hymnals (23 years old) and the Seasonal Missalettes. These hymnals will still include the proper of the Mass and the readings for each Saturday afternoon/Sunday Mass. In addition, each hymnal will contain an increased selection of hymns and new hymns besides. There will be 850 hymnals designated for NAM and 350 Hymnals designated for St. Michael Church. It is our hope that these hymnals will increase the spirit of worship, participation for all of our parishioners.

GRANT PROPOSAL SUBMITTED: On June 28 I met with **Melissa Swift** (Parish Music Director), **Jean Schwad-erer**, and **Jeff Schaffer** for a meeting to review the application for the Oregon Catholic Press Parish Grant. With the assistance of **Joe Cepec** and **Charlotte Dobrinsky**, we submitted the grant application by the deadline of June 30. Parishes from all over the country apply for these parish grants. Last year, Oregon Catholic Press gave more than \$135,000 to 76 parishes. The notification of parish grants awarded will not be until next Spring. The good news is that we're in the running! Hopefully we will be awarded a sizable check next Spring.

PROJECTS BEGINNING AND ENDING: By the time you read this bulletin, the new school roof should be finished for North American Martyrs School that is being paid for through your donations to the Capital Campaign. Another project that has begun is the clearing of some trees to make room for the new playground to be erected on the far right corner of our church parking lot above the ballfield. This project is being donated in total by a couple who has a child in our school. The construction of this playground is to be completed before school begins again in the Fall. A prospective Eagle Scout from our parish, **Spencer Worms**, has a three-part proposal for North American Martyrs Church Improvements for his Eagle Scout Project which I have approved and which will begin in July. First, he plans to lead a group of volunteers to install a sidewalk of approximately 22 feet between the rectory and priest's garage. This will allow the priest to get to his garage safely during bad weather. Second, he plans to lead a group of volunteers to remove an unsafe deck. The deck is on the second floor of the rectory and is approximately 4 foot by 10 foot. He plans to repair any holes in the wall where the deck is attached. Third, he plans to lead a group of volunteers to clear a path through the outdoor Stations of the Cross. The current path is overgrown and people cannot use the stations. Spencer hopes to meet with the church members to establish an ongoing maintenance for the path.

COMING SOON!: **Tuesday, July 13 at 7:00 pm at DeLuca Hall** will be our **second Parish Festival Meeting**. The purpose of the meeting is to more clearly define the scope of our festival and work responsibilities for the volunteers. Whether you attended the first meeting or not, we would like to see you at this second meeting. We were blessed with about 40 persons who attended last month's meeting. Hopefully the turnout will be as good or better!

On **Wednesday, July 14 at 7:00 pm at North American Martyrs Church**, I will host the **Fraternity of Priests Monthly Healing Mass** on the **Feast of Blessed Kateri Tekawitha**. Come to worship the Lord and experience healing graces for yourself and those for whom you pray.



The staff & I wish you a safe and happy

Fourth of July weekend!

Fr. Joe

*The office will be closed
Monday, July 5.*

NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS AND ST. MICHAEL PICNIC TIME

The Annual Parish Picnic will be held Sunday, **August 15** on N.A.M. Grounds. Activities will begin at 12:30 PM, after the 11:00 Mass. The picnic will be a day of good food, games, raffles, and much fun and fellowship for everyone. Mark your calendar! More information is on its way in future bulletins.

SENIORS ARE INVITED

The Senior Enrichment Group will attend the 8:00 AM Mass on Wednesday, **July 7**. Following the Mass and rosary, the group will meet at Denny's at 9:00 AM for breakfast and fellowship. For more information, call Mary Harrill at 412-372-3181.

ATTENTION ALL PARISH ORGANIZATION LEADERS

This is the time of year to schedule your group's meetings and events. Your organization may depend on using our facilities for certain dates, but unless those dates are reserved on our calendar, you may run the risk of losing them. You must either pick up a form or request the forms by email to schedule with the parish secretary for your meetings and events taking place between the months of August, 2010 & July, 2011.

ENVELOPE 101

Thank you for following along with our "Envelope 101" series! To recap, it is so helpful and saves us so much time if you; 1) mark the envelope with your amount enclosed, 2) use just one envelope for several week's contributions turned in at one time, 3) if you are in the habit of not doing so, begin to use the envelope, and 4) use the holy day and special envelopes provided.

We realize that some people who attend Masses here on a regular basis believe themselves to be members. However, if you do not receive envelopes, please be aware that you are not a registered member of North American Martyrs and we will be unable to provide you with either a tax statement or a sponsor's certificate when you may need one. Contact the secretary this week to register!

By the same token, if you have asked for and received a member registration packet but have not yet returned your registration form, you are not a registered member until you do so. If you have misplaced it, we will be happy to send you another.

Thank you to those parishioners who consistently remember to use and mark their envelopes!

CAPITAL CAMPAIGN as of 4/30/10

Pledges Received: \$781,173. (62 % of goal)

Total Responses Received: 618 Paid to Date: \$406,222.

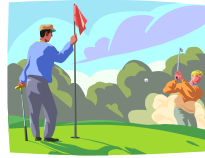
We need your Pledge and participation.

Our parish rejoices in the children who have received new life in Christ through the Sacrament of Baptism:

Isaac James Myers and Madeline Jean Weikel

N.A.M./ST. MICHAEL GOLF OUTING

\$10,000 Got your attention? Good!



What's this all about? Our annual golf outing. Where and when is the outing? At the Murrysville Golf Course Saturday, **July 24** at 8:00 AM. I sure would like a chance at that prize money. What do I need to do? Glad you asked. All you have to do is get a hole-in-one on hole #15 to win \$10,000. Everybody's going, are you? Well okay, but what does the money we pay for in this outing go towards? Good question. After expenses, all profits go to the parish of North American Martyrs and St. Michael Churches. Can you think of a better cause than supporting our parish? Well, probably not. So, then what are you waiting for? Just pick up a registration form, found at all church entrances, and submit it as soon as you can. After all, you do want us to have enough food for you, served as a hot buffet, after the outing. So please come out and support your parish. And, by the way, did I tell you that we also need hole sponsors, and gifts we can use as prizes? If you need more information on the outing, just call 412-372-4907. I promise you'll have a great time with all of your fellow parishioners. But you better hurry, the \$10,000 prize mentioned in our outside-the-parish advertisements is sure to sell out all available openings.



THE SANCTUARY CANDLE

The large candle that burns by the tabernacle, the Sanctuary Lamp, honors God and serves as a reminder of His presence. Your monetary gift of \$30 toward the candle will memorialize your intention for a week, and it will be announced in our bulletin so that friends and family may offer their prayers. You may bring or mail your request to the Rectory/Office, or place it in the collection basket any Sunday. Please include the following information (please print) in an envelope marked, "Sanctuary Candle."

In Memory of **or** In Honor of (circle one)

Name _____

Week requested (Sun-Sat) _____

Requested by _____

Your phone number _____



*This week's Sanctuary Candle burns in memory of **Pat & Gaby Connelly**, requested by **Dale Connelly**.*

AROUND THE DIOCESE

JOIN ST. ANGELA MERICI CHURCH in White Oak for their annual Summer Festival Wednesday-Saturday, July 7-10. Booths will open at 7:00 PM with great food, a flea market, baked goods, basket raffle, games of chance and Kiddieland. Entertainment and Bingo are also available each night. Call 412-672-9641 for further details.

STRESS IN YOUR MARRIAGE? There is less than a week left to signup for Retrouvaille. Retrouvaille is a program for married couples that feel bored, frustrated, or angry in their marriage. Some experience coldness and simply shut down. Others experience conflict and arguments in their relationship. Most don't know how to change the situation or even communicate with their spouse about it. This program has helped 10's of 1000's of couples experiencing marital difficulty at all levels. For confidential information about or to register for the program beginning with a weekend on Friday, July 9, please contact Retrouvaille at 412-277-3434 or at 3041@retrouvaille.org. More information is available at www.helpourmarriage.com.

AN ALL-CLASS REUNION will be held for all graduates of St. William's Grade School located in East Pittsburgh from the 1920's through 1987. Happy hour begins at 6:00 PM on Friday, August 6 at the East Pittsburgh VFW and a buffet dinner will be served at 7:00 PM. Tickets are \$20/person or \$35/couple and spouses are welcome. Tickets will not be sold at the door. Send your check by July 17 made payable to Julianne Chuhran Marchitello, P.O. Box 150, Irwin, PA 15642.

ST. JUDE THE APOSTLE in Wilmerding will hold their Festival Thursday-Saturday, July 8-10 at 6:00-11:00 PM. Come and enjoy ethnic food, a flea market, Bingo, games, raffles and live entertainment nightly.

If you know someone who is ill and who would like their name read during the Prayers of the Faithful at Mass on Saturday & Sunday, please have them contact Linda Freytag at 412-856-7321 or at jimlyn2@verizon.net no later than Wednesday evening.

EMERGENCY FOOD, CLOTHING & MORE
IN MONROEVILLE, TURTLE CREEK & PITCAIRN
ST. VINCENT de PAUL SOCIETY CAN HELP
CALL 412-372-8149

If you or someone you know would benefit from receiving a Prayer Shawl, please submit their name for consideration to Mary Harrill at 412-372-3181 or at meh227@aol.com.

MASS INTENTIONS

- Sunday, July 4 Fourteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time, Independence Day
8:00 AM Thomas Brody-Jesse & Carol Powell
9:30 AM Mass/St. Michael
11:00 AM Helen & Michael Kolbas-Family
Monday, July 5
8:00 AM Robert McGuire-Jean & Children
Tuesday, July 6
8:00 AM Mass/St. Michael
Wednesday, July 7
8:00 AM 47th Wedding Anniversary-Rege & Jackie Dugan
Thursday, July 8
8:00 AM Mass/St. Michael
Friday, July 9
8:00 AM Bob Clawson-Kathleen & Family
Saturday, July 10
12:00 PM Confessions/St. Michael
4:00 PM Carmine & Estelle Trenga-Daughter Doreen
Sunday, July 11 Fifteenth Sunday in Ordinary Time
8:00 AM Anne Quinones-The Zieglers
9:30 AM Mass/St. Michael
11:00 AM Lewis Stark-Carol



We reserve the right to make unavoidable changes in the Mass schedule.

Mass for the Living and Deceased Members of N.A.M.'s Altar Rosary Society is said at our twin parish, St. Paul's Catholic Church in Crownpoint, New Mexico, on the first Monday of each month.

Articles for the July 18th bulletin must be submitted to the Rectory Office by this Tuesday, July 6. You may submit to namchar@nauticom.net

Parish Stewardship: \$7,222.
Peter's Pence: \$1,203.
Thank you for your generosity.

PLEASE DO NOT STAPLE OR TAPE YOUR ENVELOPES CLOSED.

WELCOME TO NORTH AMERICAN MARTYRS CHURCH

In order that we may serve your needs better, please fill out this form, check any items which may apply to your situation, and drop it in the collection basket, mail or bring to the Rectory/Office. Thank you.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone (Home) (____) _____ (Work) (____) _____

- New Parishioner
Moving out of Parish
Returning to Parish
Entering Hospital
Returning Catholic
Interest in Parish Health Ministry
Interest in Holy Name Soc.
Interest in Altar Rosary Soc.
Interest in Jr High Youth Grp
Interest in Respect Life
Interest in Senior Group
New Address or Phone
School information
Interest in Catholicism/RCIA
Shut in
Interest in Women's Guild
Interest in St. Vincent dePaul
Interest in Ladies of Charity
Interest in Stitching Angels
Interest in HS Youth Group
Interest in Choir
Interest in Funeral Choir